

DURRANT IS WEAKENING

Betrays Signs of Nervousness.

Receives His Parents With Indifference.

The Jail Officials Believe He Will Collapse if an Adverse Decision is Rendered.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 16.—Theodore Durrant, the convicted murderer of Minnie Williams and Blanche Lamont, whose fate depends upon the action of the supreme court of the United States, is reported to be breaking down. Yesterday for the first time since his arrest and incarceration within the confines of San Quentin, he showed signs of gloominess and refused to leave his cell for his customary exercise. Until yesterday Durrant has always been one of the most tractable prisoners in the penitentiary, and his unexpected change of demeanor occasioned more than usual comment.

Within the past few days he has betrayed signs of nervousness and irritability and even the visits of his parents, to which he formerly looked forward with almost childish eagerness, have been received with an indifference which shocked his visitors. It is the impression of the jail officials that he will collapse completely if the decision of the supreme court should prove adverse to him.

DAN DUTCHER'S TRIAL. It Progresses Slowly and May Last for Weeks.

SAN JOSE, October 16.—The trial of Dan Dutcher for the murder of George W. Schofield is progressing slowly. Nothing that was not generally known was brought out at today's proceedings. Several witnesses were called and gave testimony as to what was seen at the Schofield ranch during the three or four hours immediately following the time on which the defendant claims the shooting took place. Charles Wright, who was one of the first to view the body, testified that Schofield's gun lay near by, but it was not needed. This testimony is considered important by the prosecution, as they seek to prove that Schofield was killed while unarmed and the gun afterward placed near the body. It is contended that Schofield, who had been shot at by Dutcher early that night, would have gone out looking for his hired man until he had his gun all ready to shoot at a moment's warning. The trial will be resumed Monday. There are still many witnesses to give testimony on behalf of the state.

A PREACHER'S FALL. Accused of Seducing a Member of His Flock.

SEATTLE, October 16.—After a trial lasting two weeks, Rev. W. T. Ford was today convicted in the Superior court of the crime of seducing Jessie Morford, a 15-year-old girl who was formerly a member of his household and church. When the jury brought in their verdict Ford was in court attended by his wife, who created somewhat of a sensation by crying out at the announcement of the verdict, "Go on, go on, he is not guilty, I know it." Ford sat by his side, his face buried in his hands. Ford was formerly pastor of the Madison street M. E. church in this city and was expelled from the ministry and church last September, having been tried by the state conference on the same charge on which he was convicted today in the state court. Bertha worth 1,200,000 marks.

Wanted the Same Rate. SEATTLE, October 16.—U. S. District Judge (Sanford) today rendered a decision in the case of the Merchants of Spokane vs. The Northern Pacific Railroad Company.

The decision was in favor of the railroad company and confirms the report of Referee Sawyer made about six months ago. The merchants of Spokane sought to compel the railroad company to give them the same rate from points on the Atlantic and east of the Mississippi river as is given to the merchants of Seattle and other coast terminals.

This Play Was Too Rough. BOULDER, Col., October 16.—D. B. Wellman, aged 17, a new student in the preparatory school of Boulder university has been seriously injured by being tossed in a blanket by older students. Wellman struck on the back of his head and shoulders, paralyzing the upper part of his body. Physicians think he will live, but say he will have a serious curvature of the spine. The injured boy is the son of a merchant in this city. Citizens are very indignant over the manner in which he was treated and demand that hazing at the university be immediately stopped.

Santa Clara's Wiped Out. SAN FRANCISCO, October 16.—The California Market baseball team of this city had little trouble in defeating the Santa Clara college team this afternoon at Central park. Stiffest, the Santa Clara pitcher was very easy for the locals and after the sixth inning was replaced by Doyle. Only one man of the visitors was able to reach third base, Iberg pitched an excellent game. The score was 7 to 0.

Joined the Silent Majority. SAN FRANCISCO, October 16.—Frederick James Mills, for twenty years a prominent member of the local English colony, died today, aged 72 years. He was for many years in the service of the English government at the Cape of Good Hope.

NOT THE FRESNO MAN.

Mrs. Von Henning Says Her Husband Wasn't in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Otto Von Henning called at this office yesterday and stated that the dispatch from Los Angeles published in the Republican to the effect that her husband had been arrested in that city must be erroneous, as he was not in the southern metropolis at the time mentioned. On the night the "Herald" was alleged to have been looked up in Los Angeles, he was on the Stockton boat on the way to San Francisco, declares his wife. Mrs. Von Henning yesterday received a message from her brother stating that he was with her husband on the steamer. From San Francisco Von Henning went to Los Angeles by steamer and he is now in that city. In connection with the dispatch the Republican yesterday morning, through a blunder in proof correction, made it appear that Mrs. Henning was in trouble in Los Angeles. This was incorrect, as the lady has been in Fresno all along. She went to San Francisco last night and will return on Monday.

THE GAME OF BASEBALL.

A School Boy's Interesting Composition on It.

A teacher in one of the country schools recently asked one of the classes to write stories about what the pupils played at school, as a language lesson. A 10-year-old boy handed in the following composition as the result of his efforts:

BASEBALL. Baseball is my favorite game. It is a nice game when you play it right. They always have nine men to play it with, which is pitcher and catcher, first baseman, second and third, left and right fielders, and a umpire and a umpire to umpire the game. Sometimes in says it's out and then they have a scrap over it.

Very near every town has a baseball nine and San Francisco has six or seven. The Fresno Republican's nine can come very near beating all the nines in the state, I think. The Santa Cruz beat them twice, but not long ago they beat two or three times, and I think the Republicans can clean them up.

CRAYCROFT'S WHEEL.

The Mayor Runs Into F. J. Haber, the Land Agent.

Mayor C. J. Craycroft, having learned to ride a wheel, is experiencing the disasters as well as the pleasure of scorching. Yesterday afternoon he ran into F. J. Haber, the real estate agent, at the corner of Mariposa and J streets.

Both had their gaze fixed on a passing team in order to avoid it. The mayor ran squarely into the real estate agent and sent him sprawling on the pavement. Craycroft immediately jumped off his wheel and Mr. Haber arose to his feet. Both glared at each other in a very hostile manner. The mayor looked as if he expected trouble, and the real estate agent looked as if he would like to make some. No words passed between the two men, and after scorching at each other awhile longer each turned away. Mr. Haber walked across the street to his office, and Craycroft mounted his wheel to resume his constitutional.

A BUSINESS MAN'S OPINION.

He is Very Much Pleased With "Imperial Fresno."

Selma Orumsky, October 16, 1897. "Editor REPUBLICAN:—I have the pleasure of enclosing you my check as a subscriber to 'Imperial Fresno.' 'I am much pleased at having subscribed to so excellent a work. It is of great merit and must prove of value to Fresno county.' 'I am glad to inform you that the Selma Orumsky has had a very successful season. It has been impossible to supply the demand for our products, a large share of which is consumed in Fresno. Yours truly, 'O. A. SHUMWAY, Supt.'"

He Was Weary of Life. SANTA ANA, October 16.—O. C. Thelan, aged 50 years, committed suicide this evening by shooting himself in the head. He had been in bad health and was mentally depressed.

IN GUATEMALA.

Chaos Reigns in the Little Republic.

Barrios and the Revolutionists Have Begun a System of Assessments.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 16.—A private letter received here today from Guatemala says that chaos reigns in the little republic and that all lines of business are antagonized by the revolution. Exchange is up to 185 and the coffee plantations are being deserted with the berries rotting on the trees. The owners of the fincas are in terror of assessments and all the native proprietors have been mulcted in large sums for the purpose of carrying on the war.

According to the letter, they are first assessed by Barrios and then by the revolutionists. Both the government and the rebels are impressing the laborers in the army wherever they find them, and the laborers are taking to the woods.

Marian Lopez Pacheco, Manuel Morales Talar, Francisco Toledo, Dr. Manuella and other sympathizers have left the revolutionary movement have left the Occidental hotel and taken up their quarters in a private dwelling on Van Ness avenue. They say that this move was necessary in order to get away from the spies of Barrios, who were hounding and annoying them.

There is no love lost between these gentlemen and Consul Carrillo. Several of them met the consul and a friend of a public resort last night, and an encounter was imminent for a moment, but the consul discreetly withdrew.

Death of Frank Macy. Frank Macy died last night at his residence in the northwestern part of town. For some time he has been suffering from paralysis, and died from this cause. He was well known in this city, as he was formerly engaged in business here. Several brothers reside in Fresno and a large number of friends will regret to hear of his death. He was in the prime of life and enjoyed almost perfect health until stricken with paralysis.

CHADDOCK & COMPANY.

Creditors Asked to Accept a 50-Cent Settlement.

An attempt is being made to effect an arrangement between Chaddock & Company and their creditors whereby the firm can take charge of its affairs and settle on the basis of 50 cents on the dollar. Most of the creditors have signed the agreement, but some want time for further investigation before doing so. The members of the firm and the creditors had a conference yesterday.

CARS DERAILED.

An Accident to the Raymond Train Yesterday.

A boxcar and the baggage-car on the Raymond train were derailed yesterday at Dalton, a station twelve miles from Berenda. The two cars jumped the track while the train was going at a fair rate of speed, and they toppled over, the side resting on the ground. The coach, which was at the rear end, also left the rails, but remained upright, none of the passengers being injured.

A wrecking party was sent out from this city and last night the cars were placed on the track. The accident happened about 8 o'clock in the morning while the train was on the way to Berenda from Raymond.

The National Exchequer. WASHINGTON, October 16.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance \$211,391.45, gold reserve \$169,545,593.

AROPE TRAMWAY.

Working the Way to the Klondyke Placers.

The "Shortening" of the Route Put In a Practicable Shape.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 16.—Newton M. Hill, coast agent of the Trenton (N. J.), Iron company, has just returned from Tacoma, Wash., where he closed a contract with the Oliphant Railroad and Transportation Company for a wire rope tramway to be constructed over the famous Oliphant pass.

The tramway will be seven and one-half miles long and will have a capacity of five tons per hour. A surface railroad is already under construction from Dyea to the lower terminal, so that the entire distance between tide water and Grater lake, the most southerly of the chain of lakes connected with the Yukon river, will be covered by the surface and aerial lines.

Work upon the tramway will be commenced immediately and will be rushed with all possible dispatch, so as to comply with the request of the prospectors that the system be ready for operation about the middle of January next.

DOING POLITICS.

Supervisors "Reward" Manly's Populist.

New Majority on the Board Already Asserting Its Power.

The new Democratic majority on the Board of Supervisors has begun to assert itself. Messrs. Sayre, Ward and Manly, who now control the board, took a turn at the political yard yesterday, and the result was that W. B. Parker, who is a Republican, lost the position of engineer of the heating system in the court house, and W. F. Plate, a Populist friend of Supervisor Manly, was given the job.

Plate evidently considered that he had done the Supervisor valuable service in his campaign a year ago. The engineer has ever since been a candidate before the board for a position in the county's service, and he has had applications in for several jobs. Parker was a competent engineer and was employed about a month ago.

In hiring, Plate the supervisors gave him the salary of \$75 a month, and fixed his tenure at the pleasure of the board. The supervisors also cut off a deputy from salary at the court house. This action was taken by the vote of Ross, Ward, Sayre and Manly. Garrett alone was opposed to it.

Heretofore Constables Albin and Shaw each have been allowed two deputies at a salary of \$15 a month each. The supervisors did away with two of these positions by allowing each constable only \$75 a month for deputies after November 1st. Constable Albin, when asked by a Republican reporter yesterday, expressed great surprise at the action of the board. "I need two deputies," he said, "and if I am deprived of one of them the work of the office must suffer. No member of the board ever asked me as to the deputies and whether or not I needed two assistants. I never heard anything about the matter till the action of the supervisors this morning."

Constable Shaw also stated that the work of his office required two deputies, and during the past few weeks there would have been plenty to do for a third man.

As a matter of course the views of the officers are not entirely disinterested. The position of G. D. Hager and other colonists in West Park for a reduction of water rates for irrigation was referred to the district attorney, and the hearing continued till Tuesday, November 22. This is the position that was presented several months ago.

The clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for furnishing the hospital, jail and indigent with supplies for the ensuing year. A resolution was also adopted stopping the further purchase of supplies by county officials. Hereafter the board will do the buying and application must be made to it for supplies.

RECIPROCITY NEGOTIATIONS.

Germany Preparing to Consider Them.

A Cabinet Crisis in the Fatherland.

Delegates to the Leprosy Convention Received by the Emperor.

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BERLIN, October 16.—Soon after the new United States tariff went into effect the officials of the American embassy informed the German government that the United States was willing to begin negotiations for a reciprocity treaty under clauses 3 and 4.

No answer of any kind has thus far been made, but preparations are actually making to open negotiations, although the pace is very slow. The question is being thoroughly considered in the imperial departments of the interior and finance as well as in the German foreign office, the officials of that department of the government being engaged in collecting and compiling statistics for ascertaining not only the effects of the new tariff of the United States upon the different branches of German industry, but with a view of the possibility of extending new branches of goods into the German exports.

The fact, however, is that the cabinet crisis is still on and is considered to only end at the departure of Prince Hollenlohe, necessarily regards the whole work of the reciprocity treaty preliminary. Erroneous and misleading reports as to the effect of the United States tariff on German industry continue to appear in the press.

The National Zeitung says: "Every body has known that the Dingley tariff bill would injure German industry, and the question is what can be on the German side to neutralize the injury. A tariff war such as the agricultural world would only render the situation more acute."

The Deutsche Zeitung, a leading Agrarian organ, after speaking of the consequences of a tariff war, says: "It should prove that the commercial intercourse between Europe and the United States continued as at present, to accentuate an outflow of gold to America and a chronic stagnation of the European money market, the European countries which this year will have to pay about 800,000,000 marks for American cereals in excess of their exports, will be compelled to organize joint measures for self-defense."

"Under these circumstances it is not surprising that the growing feeling of animosity against the United States finds expression even in the liberal and radical papers, which have hitherto been friendly to America. It is significant, for instance, that Herr Schlipper, a socialist member of the Reichstag, has declared in behalf of other forty-seven socialist members of the house the willingness of the socialist faction to aid the government in any measure calculated to bring about a state of commercial intercourse with the United States more favorable to Germany than at present."

The income tax bill introduced in the Bavarian chambers is modeled upon the law of Prussia, but on a scale of 50 per cent less.

The official report upon the effects of the exclusion of cattle and meats from most of the German frontiers, show that only 2.4 per cent of the total consumption is imported. Since October 14, 1891, not a single head of American cattle nor a pound of American fresh meat has been imported.

During the past week snow has fallen and cold weather has prevailed in western Germany.

The condition of Prince Henry of Rome, who is confined in a private asylum for the insane in this city, is rapidly improving, and the family are beginning proceedings to have him declared irresponsible.

It appears that the Prince, before he was placed in confinement, did several unusual things. He ordered of a Berlin jeweler diamonds and other jewelry to the value of 900,000 marks and also presented his valet, a man named Schneider, with a deed of a house in Albert Dries's German-American socialist, was expelled during the week by the police of Schaeffelsberg, Hanover, two hours after his arrival there to visit relatives. The first shipment of the socialists was in excellent condition and found a ready market at 21 to 25 cents per pound.

Captain Wibur of Cincinnati, who accompanied General N. A. Miles through Europe, has called for home. At the reception of the members of the leprosy convention at the new palace at Potsdam on Friday by the Emperor and Empress, his Majesty conversed at length with the American delegates, Drs. Clatwood and Kinyon, about leprosy and the danger in the United States.

RUFFIANISM IN LONDON.

A Mob Attacks a Club House. Army Increases.

LONDON, October 16.—The English newspapers, which are fond of preaching sermons on the subject of "Lawless men of America," have food for reflection in two events which have happened in London this week. The Honor Oak Golf Club possessed One Tree hill for three years. Finding the property was being wantonly destroyed or stolen, the club caused the ground to be fenced.

On Sunday last a mob of about 1000 persons, armed with clubs and stones, tore down the fence and demolished everything in sight. They destroyed the golf links and reinforced by over 2000 rioters, advanced upon the club house, driving the golfers within. Bricks and logs flew until the club house was wrecked.

When the rioters were unable to dislodge the determined members of the club some of the leaders brought bundles of straw, with the intention of setting fire to the premises, and were only prevented by the arrival of police reinforcements, the few police previously on the ground having been as badly maltreated as the golf players. One of the

latter fell into the hands of a dozen roughs, who pounded him with sticks until he was in a serious condition. A renewal of the disturbance is expected tomorrow.

A somewhat similar disturbance was witnessed at Hillingdon on Tuesday, when the inhabitants of that place peacefully roamed through Hillingdon's game preserves. The right of way through these preserves for over thirty years had been closed, and the ground is overgrown with fine timber, which the crowd felled for a distance of half a mile, also removing the gates, iron fences, etc., which were in their way.

London ruffianism does not end here. The terraces of the streets are so glaring that the vestries of the different parishes have combined in an appeal for additional police protection, pointing out that many of the districts are living practically in a state of terrorism, gangs of ruffians insulting, attacking and robbing the inhabitants seemingly without any restraint.

The Army and Navy Gazette voices the opinion of British military men in congratulating the country upon the fact that the government has at last determined to increase the effectiveness of the army.

KILLED ON THE RAIL.

The Remains of a Tramp Found Near Firebaugh.

A butcher yesterday morning found the remains of a tramp lying on the railroad track near Firebaugh. The body was horribly mangled. It is supposed that the deceased was a tramp and was stealing a ride on a freight train that passed there during the night. As often the case, he had probably fallen asleep and released his hold on the brakeman.

Coroner Long left on last night's train for Firebaugh to hold the inquest.

GRADY GIVES BAIL.

He Surrendered Himself, But Was at Once Released.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 16, D. Grady, who was indicted last Friday for felonious embezzlement, surrendered himself to the police tonight and was at once released on \$2000 bonds.

YOUNG TOURISTS.

They Traveled Alone from Missouri.

Two Orphan Children Come to Join a California Uncle.

"For Heaven's sake, Van, take these kids off my hands," said Conductor Dolan to Agent Van Sicken at the depot yesterday morning when he arrived from Los Angeles on the overland. Big, good-natured Miss Dolan had a little girl and a boy coming with her to join the agent's office. The conductor had an armful of packages, and the children, too, had all they could carry. There were two or three small baskets, and the article that was shown the most care was a dirty, ragged doll the girl had on her arm.

"These youngsters have come from Missouri and are on their way to an uncle as a helper, in Salina county," explained Dolan. "You'll have to keep them here all day till the Porterville train leaves this evening," continued the conductor, "and Van, you've got to take them off my hands. The girl is so quiet enough, but the boy, he's a holy terror. I've had him on my run from Los Angeles, and that's enough for me."

The children were a pretty girl of 9 years and a fat, saucy boy 7 years of age. They had come all the way from Missouri alone. They were in charge of conductors all the way, but they did not appear to have suffered on the trip.

The boy acted as spokesman for himself and sister. "My name is Bedford E. Griggs," he said. "My sister is Ida Ball Griggs. We're going to Uncle Felix Griggs to live with him."

Agent Van Sicken kept the children at the depot all day, till the train started out on the branch line for Exeter at 5.30, and he had a very interesting time of it. The boy was determined to have what there was in the safe. He wanted to "buy" it, he said, with the parcels of coins that passengers had given him on the way to California.

The mother of these little travelers died this year, and a recently their father was shot and killed by another man, the result of a quarrel over a woman. The little ones were left destitute, and kind-hearted "Uncle Felix," Bedford styled him, had sent for the boy and girl to give them a proper education.

The children were placed aboard the train in Missouri with the following general note addressed to conductors: "Please look out for these children. They are bound for Exeter, Tulare county, California."

The care the children received was evidently of the best. While exceedingly dirty, they were smiling and happy. At noon Mr. Van Sicken took them to the Railroad hotel, where ladies cleaned them up and gave them a substantial dinner. The boy is remarkably bright for one of his age, and devoted his energies to making himself heard. The girl was quiet, but spoke up brightly when asked questions. "I'm no easy to leave Missouri," she said. "If Minnie Roberts was here I wouldn't care so much."

I. H. Church, administrator of the estate of Russell G. Wood, has brought suit against G. K. Kirby to secure the payment of \$100 due for the material and labor used in the construction of five brick forming tanks erected during July of the present year.

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Men's Fine Satin Calf Congress or Lace Shoes, square London toes, regular price \$2. Sale price \$1.50 a pair

Men's Fine Calfskin Lace Shoes, with extension soles, our regular \$3.50. Sale price \$2.50

Ladies' Fine Kid Button or Lace Shoes, new style foxing, with patent leather or kid tip, the latest lasts, regular \$2.50 shoes. Sale price \$2.75

Ladies' Fine Kid Button or Lace Shoes, with patent leather or kid tip, new last toes, our regular \$2 shoes. Sale price \$1.50 a pair

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Ladies' Sateen Cape, 20 inches long, full sweep, tulle fur trim around collar and down the front, serge lining. Price \$3.50.

Ladies' Jacket, made of very heavy tulle, six large horn buttons, strap across, collar green and black, size 32 to 42. Price \$5.00.

Black or Navy Blue Kersey Jacket, 28 inches long, fronts lined with black satin rhinestones, slashed collar and striped straps all around the garment, raw edge. Price \$10.00.

Children's Reofer Jacket, empire back, made of fancy mixed cloth, nicely braided, sizes 8 to 12 years. Price \$3.50.

Made of Cotton Fildowns, in tan and grays, trimmed with white Angora fur, cotton lined, full made, lengths 24 to 32 inches. Price 75c.

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Possibly the time has come when the

devil can be appropriately rebuked in the

Fresno. Compared to a black-and-white

newspaper the devil is a high-minded

gentleman.

A New York judge has given it out

from the bench that gum chewing is

the height of vulgarity. Somebody

must have left a word about the size of

a warm wall in the judge's chair some-

time.

Philadelphia is accused of being a

little late in expurgating Victor Hugo's

"Les Miserables," but the city of

brotherly love can run up on its venera-

ble legs and point its critics to the fact

that the smart people of some localities

are still engaged in picking flaws in the

Bible.

The trustees propose to take steps on

Monday night to determine the city's

title to the closed streets across the

Southern Pacific reservation—a question

that might well have been settled some

years ago. When this question has been

determined, the further and important

problem of a safe crossing over the

tracks of that road will remain to be

solved.

The Santa Fe Company, with which

the people of this valley have extensive

business relations, has issued a very

attractive illustrated volume descriptive

of the principal cities and scenic attrac-

tions of the south Pacific coast. The

work is excellently done and will not

fail to have a beneficial effect in attract-

ing the attention of tourists and home-

seekers to this incomparable region.

The insurance combine in talking

about a reduction of rates for Fresno,

probably amounting to 16 per cent, say

reduction will be acceptable, but Fresno

is entitled to a good deal larger reduc-

tion than that. There is no place in

California where better risks prevail or

where fire insurance is a more profitable

business. Fresno has one of the best

fire departments in the state and the

danger of disastrous conflagrations has

been reduced to a minimum. The in-

surance combine can afford to deal

fairly with Fresno. Its profits here in

late years have been enormous.

AN EXTRAVAGANT BUREAU.

The Mining and Scientific Press as-

sails the "revolutionary policy" of State

Mineralogist Cooper in deciding to dis-

continue the field work of the bureau

and devoting the whole of the next two

years to the preparation of a series of

mining, topographical and geological

maps of the mining counties and a

"register of the mines of this state. The

Press declares that the bill passed by the

legislature, appropriating \$50,000

for this work, "contains the usual require-

ments that at least 50 per cent of the ap-

propriation shall be expended in field

work, and it plainly states that Mr.

Cooper "does not seem to grasp the re-

quirements of his present situation."

We were very little about the "dis-

## THE CHEAP WHISKY CURE.

According to the Bakersfield Califor-

nia one of the learned doctors who at-

tended the late meeting of the Valley

Medical Society in that town is the ex-

ponent of a theory for wiping out the

evil of intemperance that is not likely

to receive the approval of the Prohibi-

tionists, whatever may be thought of it

by other people. The doctor, whose

name is not given, is quoted as saying:

"Take the tax of liquor, exact no li-

cense fee, let whiskey be sold at its nat-

ural price, that is, at a fair advance over

cost of production, which would be

about two bits a gallon, and you will

rob the saloon of its terrors by wiping it

out of existence. With whiskey that

cheap nobody would pay a dime a drink

for it and on the other hand no one

would be tempted to drink it out for two

cents per glass. Wages could be made at

it. The barroom would have to go, hav-

ing been eliminated from among life's

necessities.

Again, if there were no revenue tax

on the liquor and no license to

handle the article were demanded,

nineteenth of the temptation to adul-

terate pure liquor and to make the

stuff out of alcohol and diamond dyes

would be done away with. Spurious

imitations are made of costly things

only. Cheap whiskey means pure

whiskey. Pure whiskey means dim-

inished drunkenness and immorality.

It is a simple and human race. It will

be a glad day for society when 'boozy

gets cheap."

Possibly the doctor's prescription is a

sure cure for drunkenness, and then

again it is possible that it is not. At

any rate his proposition has the familiar

"ring" of the political theories which are

warranted by enthusiastic supporters

to overturn existing evil and enthron-

e justice and prosperity on the place

where error and wrong have held sway.

Doubtless the cheapening of liquor

to the extent proposed would create an

embarrassing problem for the retail

dealer, but that it would result in either

decreased consumption or the elimina-

tion of the saloon may reasonably be

doubted. Instances of cheap products

having enormous sales at retail are not

lacking. The cost of that curious in-

termediate of gas and fluid known as

soda water is certainly less than that of

moonshine whiskey. It bears no burden

of taxation nor is it subjected to any in-

equatorial process of law that enhances

its cost. The retail traffic in this article

is nevertheless enormous. The same

may be said of many cheap and un-

taxed drinks, the production of which

requires no mechanical device.

The cheapness of liquid refreshments

of the temperance sort has not proven

a bar to their sale at retail, and what

certain reason is there for believing that

a different result would follow the

cheapening of the beverages that both

cheer and inebriate?

Cheap, pure and untaxed whiskey

would undoubtedly be acceptable to

those who drink it, but as a promoter of

temperance and a means of destroying

the saloon the REPUBLICAN is very much

inclined to believe that it would prove a

failure.

THE GHOST IS LAID.

A neighboring contemporary is dis-

cussing the failure of the agricultural

fair. Discussion seems to be entirely

superfluous. There has been an agri-

cultural fair in Fresno for several years,

and there will probably not be an at-

## WISDOM OF WISE MEN.

Life is a sheet of paper white.

Whence each one of us may write

His word or two, and then comes night.

No time and space concern us here.

No words or signs, no words or signs.

Our souls upon the edge—no die.

Mere not which say the pen to blot

The lines of fate and leave the bold

Stroke comes the darkness and the cold.

Greatly useful, though the lines are true

But for a line, to that subtle

Net failure, but low aim, is crime.

Don't judge a man by the clothes he

wears. God made the man, the tailor

the clothes. Don't judge a man by his

family. For Cain belonged to a good

family. Don't judge a man by his

failure in life. For many a man fails because

he is too honest to succeed.

In the struggle with a broken thread

or a shroud apollo the web through a

hundred yards, and is traced back to the

girl who wove it. A day is a more mag-

nificent cloth, and you shall not succeed

the slayer of fate, rotten cotton hours you

weave not into it, nor fear that any hon-

est thread or straighter steel, or more

soluble shaft will not testify in the

web. No cheating or swindling your

Master and Employer in the web you

weave.

Order is heaven's first law, and this confers

Some must be greater than the rest.

Stare rich, mock poor, and smile at common sense.

That such are the laws of the gods.

Life is a sea where storms must rise.

The folk talk of cloudless skies.

All fits of pleasure are balanced by an

equal degree of pain or languor.

When next you talk of what you

want, think of the time you will as you

want; for you find that none pre-

fers your eyesight to his own.

The elioal scheme of supplying our

wants by lapping off our desires, is like

cutting off our feet when we want shoes.

A man truly proud thinks the high-

est of his own desires, and that other

know it without his boasting.

Very few people, properly speaking,

live at the present, but are providing to

live at some other time.

You must not reckon upon gratitude

in conferring a favor. It is an uncon-

stant thing, and to which gratitude is

not a painful sensation.

THE OLD WAY

Of Treating Dyspepsia and Indiges-

tion by Dieting a Barbarous and

Useless One.

We say the old way, but really it is a

new way, one at present time, and

many dyspepsia and physicians as well

consider the first step to take in at-

tempting to cure indigestion is to diet,

either by selecting certain foods and ex-

cluding others, or by greatly diminishing

the quantity usually taken, in other words

the starvation plan, by many supposed

to be the first essential.

The almost certain failure of the star-

vation cure for dyspepsia has been

proven time and again, but still the

momentary dyspepsia makes its ap-

pearance a course of dieting is at once

advised.

All this is radically wrong. It is fool-

ish and unscientific to recommend diet-

ing or starvation to a man suffering from

dyspepsia, because indigestion itself

starves every organ and every nerve and

every fiber in the body.

What the dyspeptic wants is abun-

dant nutrition, which means plenty of

good, wholesome, well-cooked food and

somewhat of the use of food and

digest it. This is exactly the purpose

## THE FRESNO FEVER.

Certain to Result From Reading

the "Republican's" Souvenir.

From the Weekly Edition.

"Imperial Fresno" is the title of the

illustrated publication which the Fresno

Republican has just issued. It is a vol-

ume of 150 pages on the finest quality

of paper, well printed and beautifully

illustrated with a great number of hal-

ftone engravings representing the moun-

tain scenery, valley vistas, rural scenes,

unsubscribed, public buildings and

houses of Fresno county.

From cover to cover the book is at-

tractive. The press work on every page

is simply perfect. No finer printing has

ever been done on this coast. The de-

scriptive matter, prepared expressly for

this work, marks the greatest care,

makes it a valuable publication to dis-

tribute in the Eastern states.

It would seem that no resident of the

eastern half of the continent could read

this book and admire and study its in-

teresting engravings without at once

contracting the Fresno fever. Such a

publication, no matter what the cost,

cannot help being a paying investment

for "Imperial Fresno," whether those

who have labored so long and so well

to prepare it, realize any profit from it

or not. The Republican has done well

in its work and its efforts deterre

subsequent recognition.

E. C. Reynolds came over from Sanger

yesterday.

SHOES.

Something Everybody Should Know

About Them.

It is highly important to have good,

comfortable footwear. The feet should

be cared for and it is money well in-

vested in shoes. Sometimes the

best may be had at very low prices. It

is an easy matter to the wide-awake

reader of Kutner-Goldstein Co.'s ad-

vertisements to pick up bargains in any

line of merchandise at the times when

special sales are advertised for particu-

lar departments.

At the present time a sale is an-

nounced in the shoe department, and

the present is the time to get the best

of the goods. The stock consists of

the very best makes in ladies',

gentlemen's and children's footwear.

The goods are new and stylish. In ad-

dition, a special sale in the shoe

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